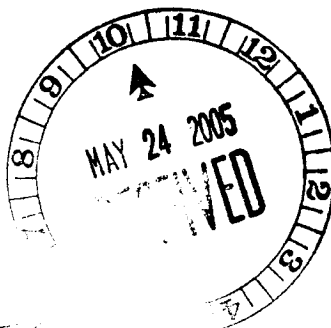


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Re: Portland & Western Railroad, Inc. - Abandonment
Exemption - Washington County, Oregon
STB Docket No. AB-541 (Sub-No. 1X)
Notice of Consummation


Dear Secretary Williams:

This letter is submitted pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.50(e) and 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), to advise the Board that on this date the Portland & Western Railroad, Inc. ("PNWR") has consummated the abandonment of the line of railroad between milepost 17.10 and milepost 20.05, near the City of Hillsboro, in Washington County, OR.

Notice of the exemption was served by the board on March 4, 2005. By decision served April 4, 2005, the Board imposed a condition requiring PNWR to contact the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality ("ODEQ") prior to commencement of any salvage activities. PNWR has satisfied the contact condition imposed by the Board and forwarded sampling results to ODEQ.

An additional 10 copies of this letter are enclosed so that this letter can be filed of record in this proceeding.

Respectfully,


Eric M. Hocky

Enclosures